

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~1000~~ CH- 992

Address: 9350 Sidell Place, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Short, Wm C et al

Tax Parcel Number: 98 Tax Map Number: 44

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility **not** recommended ☒

Criteria ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☒ None

Is property located within a historic district?: ☒ no ☐ yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: ☒ no ☐ yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

9350 Sidell Place is one-and-one-half stories in height and is covered by a side gable roof. The rood is clad with asphalt shingles. The wood frame dwelling is three-bays wide with a one-story addition set back from the façade (southeast). The addition is covered by a side gable roof. The horizontal wood sided house has a central entrance flanked by single 1/1 windows. A small shed roof extends from the house to for a portico supported by simple wood posts.

Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of La Plata. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway attracted new development to older communities along its corridor. The Robert Crain Highway was completed in 1927 and it provided the most direct way to Baltimore and points north of Charles County. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s. With the introduction of the Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, Crain Highway, now known as U.S. 301, was transformed from a local road into a bypass for traffic traveling between Florida and New York.

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Date

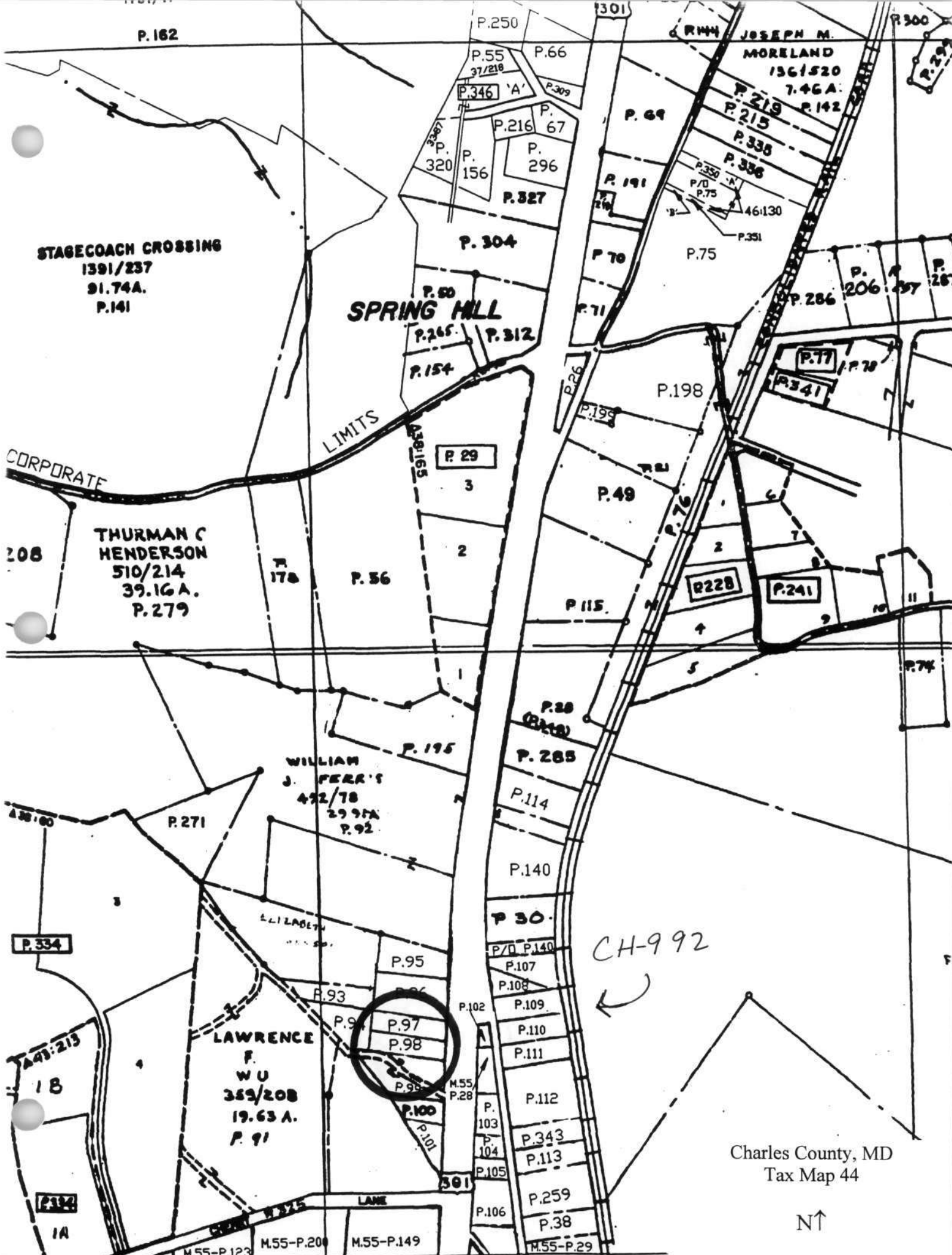
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Although Charles County was still primarily rural, by the 1930's, La Plata began to grow significantly because of the development of Crain Highway. Non-agricultural business began to increase around La Plata and the county seat's position within Charles County became economically more diverse. Development, including housing, increased as a result of Crain Highway and the influx of new businesses and investment into the area.

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in La Plata's community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s.

Built circa 1940, this Colonial Revival-style dwelling is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the modest residential development surrounding La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



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JOSEPH M. MORELAND
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39.16A.
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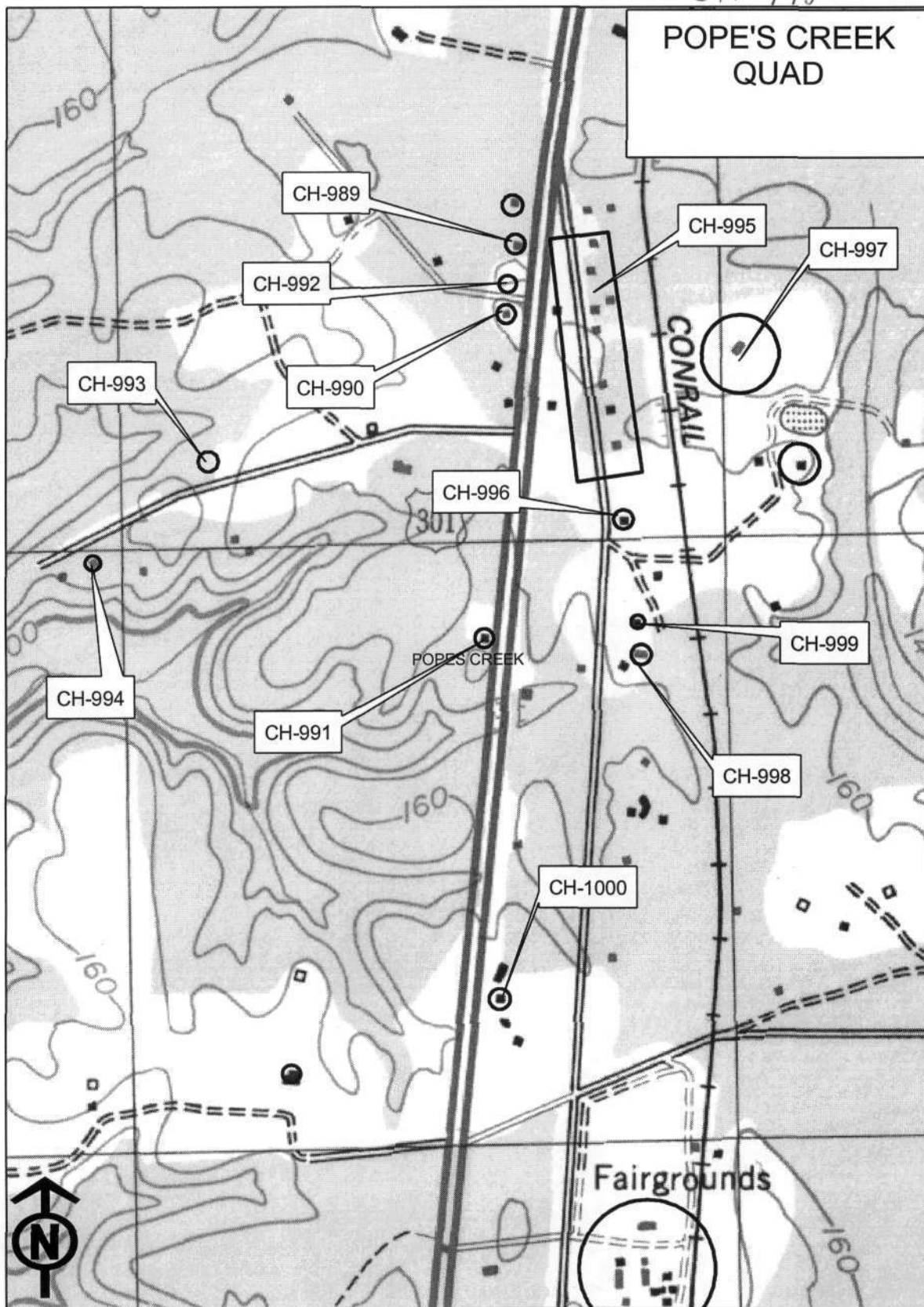
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View looking northeast
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